Development and trials of missiles

937. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present stage of development and trials of various missiles such as Prithvi, Agni, BrahMos, Sagarika, Akash and Trishul;

(b) by when these missiles would be ready for use by the defence forces;

(c) whether it is a fact that the 23 year old missile programme is haunted by technical glitches, time and cost overruns; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) Prithvi and Agni strategic missile systems, with their variants, have been inducted in the Indian Armed Forces. Development of Akash and Trishul surface to air missiles and anti-tank missile Nag, is complete and Users have been requested to place orders. The supersonic cruise missile BrahMos has gone through successful flight trials for the Indian Navy and Army from ship and land mobile platforms, respectively. Production orders have been received. There is no missile project by name "Sagarika".

(c) and (d) The Integrated Guided Missile Development Programme started in 1983 consists of five missile-Agni, Prithvi, Akash, Trishul and Nag. Strategic systems Agni and Prithvi have been completed alongwith their varians for the Services. With regard to Trishul, Akash and Nag, there were certain technical problems and all these have been subsequently solved.

Custodial deaths reported to NHRC

938. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of custodial deaths reported to National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) from various States/UTs, particularly Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the action taken by Government against the erring police officers;

(c) the details of the guidelines issued by the Central Government to States/UTs on the basis of the observations of Hon'ble Supreme Court on

arrest and detention and against use of third degree methods of interrogation; and

(d) the details of compensation given to the dependants in custodial death cases, on the recommendation of NHRC, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The total number of cases of custodial deaths, in judicial custody and police custody, reported to the National Human Rights Commission during the last three years and particularly in Andhra Pradesh are as under:

Year	All States/UTs.	Andhra Pradesh
2003-2004	1462	124
2004-2005	1493	129
2005-2006	1730	145

(b) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subject as listed in List II of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution. However, NHRC has awarded compensation of Rs. 24,65,000/- *viz.* Rs. 13,20,000/- in police custody death cases and Rs. 11,45,000/- in judicial custody death cases during the period from 1.4.2003 to 31.3.2006

(c) The directions given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of D.K. Basu *Vs.* State of West Bengal have been circulated to all the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for appropriate action and compliance.

(d) A State-wise Statement indicating the compensation awarded by the NHRC in cases of deaths in Police Custody and Judicial Custody is annexed.

Statement

State-wise compensation awarded by NHRC in police custody and judicial custody death cases for the period from 01.4.2003 *to* 31.3.2006

Sl.No.	State/UT	Amount Awarded	
		Police Custody	Judicial Custody
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	—	Rs. 50,000/-
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	Rs. 50,000/-	—

1	2	3	4
3.	Bihar	Rs. 1,00,000/-	Rs. 1,00,000/-
4.	Chhattisgarh	—	Rs. 1,00,000/-
5.	Gujarat	Rs. 1,00,000/-	Rs. 1,00,000/-
6.	Haryana	Rs. 1,50,000/-	—
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	Rs. 1,00,000/-	—
8.	Jharkhand	Rs. 50,000/-	—
9.	Madhya Pradesh	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-
10.	Maharashtra	Rs. 1,50,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-
11.	Orissa	Rs. 1,50,000/-	—
12.	Rajasthan	—	Rs. 50,000/-
13.	Tamil Nadu	—	Rs. 1,00,000/-
14.	Uttar Pradesh	Rs. 3,50,000/-	Rs. 4,95,000/-
15.	Delhi	Rs. 1,00,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-
	TOTAL:	Rs. 13,20,000/-	Rs. 11,45,000/-

Custodial deaths in Delhi

939. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many cases of death in police custody have been reported in Delhi during the last three years;

(b) how many of them have really been proved to be cases of suicide;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of the Police Station lock-ups are equipped with closed-circuit televisions but the police officers do not record any situation to prove torture or alleged suicide of the victims; and

(d) what remedial steps Government propose to take to bring transparency in the behaviour of police personnel in dealing with the persons in their custody so as to avoid harassment of helpless and innocent people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Details of custodial death cases in